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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: Ryan M. Gleitz
Masashige TAMURA	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2852
Application No.: 10/693,981	)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 3977
Filed: October 28, 2003	)	
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For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS	)	
INCLUDING GRAVITY-OPERATED :	:	
OPENING AND CLOSING	)	
MEMBER FOR DISCHARGING	:	April 12, 2007

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Commissioner for Patents  
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AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE

Sir:

Applicant is in receipt of a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee(s) Due dated February 23, 2007, in the above-identified application. The Issue Fees are due on May 23, 2007, and are being paid concurrently herewith. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.312, the Examiner is respectfully requested to favorably consider and enter the following amendments to the application.